

BrokerCheck Report

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CRD# 4874815

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BrokerCheck offers information on all current, and many former, registered securities brokers, and all current and former registered securities firms. FINRA strongly encourages investors to use BrokerCheck to check the background of securities brokers and brokerage firms before deciding to conduct, or continue to conduct, business with them.

What is included in a BrokerCheck report?

- BrokerCheck reports for individual brokers include information such as employment history, professional
 qualifications, disciplinary actions, criminal convictions, civil judgments and arbitration awards. BrokerCheck
 reports for brokerage firms include information on a firm's profile, history, and operations, as well as many of the
 same disclosure events mentioned above.
- Please note that the information contained in a BrokerCheck report may include pending actions or allegations that may be contested, unresolved or unproven. In the end, these actions or allegations may be resolved in favor of the broker or brokerage firm, or concluded through a negotiated settlement with no admission or finding of wrongdoing.
- Where did this information come from?
- The information contained in BrokerCheck comes from FINRA's Central Registration Depository, or CRD® and is a combination of:
 - o information FINRA and/or the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) require brokers and brokerage firms to submit as part of the registration and licensing process, and
 - o information that regulators report regarding disciplinary actions or allegations against firms or brokers.
- How current is this information?
- Generally, active brokerage firms and brokers are required to update their professional and disciplinary information in CRD within 30 days. Under most circumstances, information reported by brokerage firms, brokers and regulators is available in BrokerCheck the next business day.
- What if I want to check the background of an investment adviser firm or investment adviser representative?
- To check the background of an investment adviser firm or representative, you can search for the firm or individual in BrokerCheck. If your search is successful, click on the link provided to view the available licensing and registration information in the SEC's Investment Adviser Public Disclosure (IAPD) website at https://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov. In the alternative, you may search the IAPD website directly or contact your state securities regulator at http://www.finra.org/Investors/ToolsCalculators/BrokerCheck/P455414.
- Are there other resources I can use to check the background of investment professionals?
- FINRA recommends that you learn as much as possible about an investment professional before deciding
 to work with them. Your state securities regulator can help you research brokers and investment adviser
 representatives doing business in your state.

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User Guidance

Gregory C. Barson

CRD# 4874815

Currently employed by and registered with the following Firm(s):

B INVESTMENT PLANNERS, INC.

320 E Warm Springs Rd. Suite 3 Las Vegas, NV 89119 CRD# 18557

Registered with this firm since: 08/31/2020

(A) IPI WEALTH MANAGEMENT, INC.

4045 Spencer St. Ste 116 Las Vegas, NV 89119 CRD# 111872

Registered with this firm since: 09/17/2020

Report Summary for this Broker



This report summary provides an overview of the broker's professional background and conduct. Additional information can be found in the detailed report.

Broker Qualifications

This broker is registered with:

- 1 Self-Regulatory Organization
- 3 U.S. states and territories

This broker has passed:

- 1 Principal/Supervisory Exam
- 2 General Industry/Product Exams
- 1 State Securities Law Exam

Registration History

This broker was previously registered with the following securities firm(s):

(A) CROWN CAPITAL SECURITIES, L.P.

CRD# 6312 ORANGE, CA 10/2016 - 09/2020

B CROWN CAPITAL SECURITIES, L.P.

CRD# 6312 LAS VEGAS, NV 09/2016 - 09/2020

B NEWPORT COAST SECURITIES, INC.

CRD# 16944 LAS VEGAS, NV 03/2010 - 09/2016

Disclosure Events

All individuals registered to sell securities or provide investment advice are required to disclose customer complaints and arbitrations, regulatory actions, employment terminations, bankruptcy filings, and criminal or civil judicial proceedings.

Are there events disclosed about this broker? Yes

The following types of disclosures have been reported:

Type Count
Customer Dispute 1

Broker Qualifications



Registrations

This section provides the self-regulatory organizations (SROs) and U.S. states/territories the broker is currently registered and licensed with, the category of each license, and the date on which it became effective. This section also provides, for every brokerage firm with which the broker is currently employed, the address of each branch where the broker works.

This individual is currently registered with 1 SRO and is licensed in 3 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.

Employment 1 of 2

Firm Name: INVESTMENT PLANNERS, INC.
Main Office Address: 226 W. ELDORADO STREET

DECATUR, IL 62522

Firm CRD#: **18557**

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	FINRA	General Securities Principal	Approved	08/31/2020
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	08/31/2020
	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	California	Agent	Approved	08/31/2020
В	Nevada	Agent	Approved	08/31/2020
В	Utah	Agent	Approved	08/31/2020

Branch Office Locations

INVESTMENT PLANNERS, INC.

320 E Warm Springs Rd. Suite 3

Las Vegas, NV 89119

Employment 2 of 2

Firm Name: IPI WEALTH MANAGEMENT, INC.

Main Office Address: 226 W. ELDORADO

DECATUR, IL 62522

Firm CRD#: **111872**

Broker Qualifications



Employment 2 of 2, continued

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
IA	Nevada	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	09/17/2020

Branch Office Locations

This individual does not have any registered Branch Office where the individual is located.

Broker Qualifications



Industry Exams this Broker has Passed

This section includes all securities industry exams that the broker has passed. Under limited circumstances, a broker may attain a registration after receiving an exam waiver based on exams the broker has passed and/or qualifying work experience. Any exam waivers that the broker has received are not included below.

This individual has passed 1 principal/supervisory exam, 2 general industry/product exams, and 1 state securities law exam.

Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam		Category	Date
B	General Securities Principal Examination	Series 24	06/13/2006

General Industry/Product Exams

Exam		Category	Date
В	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
B	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	11/15/2004

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B IA Uniform Combined State Law Examination	Series 66	01/12/2005

Additional information about the above exams or other exams FINRA administers to brokers and other securities professionals can be found at www.finra.org/brokerqualifications/registeredrep/.

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Broker Qualifications



Professional Designations

This section details that the representative has reported **0** professional designation(s).

No information reported.

Registration and Employment History



Registration History

The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

Reg	istration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
IA	10/2016 - 09/2020	CROWN CAPITAL SECURITIES, L.P.	6312	LAS VEGAS, NV
B	09/2016 - 09/2020	CROWN CAPITAL SECURITIES, L.P.	6312	LAS VEGAS, NV
B	03/2010 - 09/2016	NEWPORT COAST SECURITIES, INC.	16944	LAS VEGAS, NV
IA	07/2008 - 02/2010	NEWBRIDGE FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP, INC.	130814	LEHI, UT
B	07/2008 - 02/2010	NEWBRIDGE SECURITIES CORPORATION	104065	SANDY, UT
B	07/2007 - 08/2008	REGAL SECURITIES, INC.	7297	LEHI, UT
IA	01/2008 - 07/2008	REGAL ADVISORY SERVICES, INC.	123842	GLENVIEW, IL
В	02/2006 - 07/2007	BROOKSTREET SECURITIES CORPORATION	14667	LEHI, UT
IA	03/2005 - 02/2006	ING FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC	2882	SOUTH JORDAN, UT
В	01/2005 - 02/2006	ING FINANCIAL PARTNERS, INC.	2882	WINDSOR, CT

Employment History

This section provides up to 10 years of an individual broker's employment history as reported by the individual broker on the most recently filed Form U4.

Please note that the broker is required to provide this information only while registered with FINRA or a national securities exchange and the information is not updated via Form U4 after the broker ceases to be registered. Therefore, an employment end date of "Present" may not reflect the broker's current employment status.

Employment	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	Employer Location
08/2020 - Present	IPIWM	IAR	Υ	Decatur, IL, United States
08/2020 - Present	Investment Planners Inc.	Registered Rep	Υ	Decatur, IL, United States
09/2016 - 08/2020	CROWN CAPITAL SECURITIES, LP	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Υ	ORANGE, CA, United States
03/2010 - 08/2016	NEWPORT COAST SECURITIES, INC.	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Υ	IRVINE, CA, United States

Registration and Employment History



Other Business Activities

This section includes information, if any, as provided by the broker regarding other business activities the broker is currently engaged in either as a proprietor, partner, officer, director, employee, trustee, agent or otherwise. This section does not include non-investment related activity that is exclusively charitable, civic, religious or fraternal and is recognized as tax exempt.

(1) START DATE 2005, I DEVOTE 160 HRS/MO (120 HRS DURING TRADING) AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR/OWNER FOR BARSON INSURANCE & FINANCIAL SERVICES; THIS IS NOT INVESTMENT RELATED ACTIVITY & MY DUTIES INCLUDE: MANAGING THE INSURANCE AGENCY FOR LIFE, HEALTH & MEDICARE PRODUCTS. BUSINESS ADDRESS: 4045 SPENCER ST., STE. 116, LAS VEGAS, NV 89119

Disclosure Events



What you should know about reported disclosure events:

1. All individuals registered to sell securities or provide investment advice are required to disclose customer complaints and arbitrations, regulatory actions, employment terminations, bankruptcy filings, and criminal or civil judicial proceedings.

2. Certain thresholds must be met before an event is reported to CRD, for example:

- o A law enforcement agency must file formal charges before a broker is required to disclose a particular criminal event.
- A customer dispute must involve allegations that a broker engaged in activity that violates certain rules or conduct governing the industry and that the activity resulted in damages of at least \$5,000.

3. Disclosure events in BrokerCheck reports come from different sources:

 As mentioned at the beginning of this report, information contained in BrokerCheck comes from brokers, brokerage firms and regulators. When more than one of these sources reports information for the same disclosure event, all versions of the event will appear in the BrokerCheck report. The different versions will be separated by a solid line with the reporting source labeled.

4. There are different statuses and dispositions for disclosure events:

- o A disclosure event may have a status of pending, on appeal, or final.
 - A "pending" event involves allegations that have not been proven or formally adjudicated.
 - An event that is "on appeal" involves allegations that have been adjudicated but are currently being appealed.
 - A "final" event has been concluded and its resolution is not subject to change.
- o A final event generally has a disposition of adjudicated, settled or otherwise resolved.
 - An "adjudicated" matter includes a disposition by (1) a court of law in a criminal or civil matter, or (2) an administrative panel in an action brought by a regulator that is contested by the party charged with some alleged wrongdoing.
 - A "settled" matter generally involves an agreement by the parties to resolve the matter. Please note that brokers and brokerage firms may choose to settle customer disputes or regulatory matters for business or other reasons.
 - A "resolved" matter usually involves no payment to the customer and no finding of wrongdoing on the part of the individual broker. Such matters generally involve customer disputes.

For your convenience, below is a matrix of the number and status of disclosure events involving this broker. Further information regarding these events can be found in the subsequent pages of this report. You also may wish to contact the broker to obtain further information regarding these events.

	Pending	Final	On Appeal
Customer Dispute	1	0	N/A



Disclosure Event Details

When evaluating this information, please keep in mind that a discloure event may be pending or involve allegations that are contested and have not been resolved or proven. The matter may, in the end, be withdrawn, dismissed, resolved in favor of the broker, or concluded through a negotiated settlement for certain business reasons (e.g., to maintain customer relationships or to limit the litigation costs associated with disputing the allegations) with no admission or finding of wrongdoing.

This report provides the information exactly as it was reported to CRD and therefore some of the specific data fields contained in the report may be blank if the information was not provided to CRD.

Customer Dispute - Pending

This type of disclosure event involves (1) a pending consumer-initiated, investment-related arbitration or civil suit that contains allegations of sales practice violations against the broker; or (2) a pending, consumer-initiated, investment-related written complaint containing allegations that the broker engaged in, sales practice violations resulting in compensatory damages of at least \$5,000, forgery, theft, or misappropriation, or conversion of funds or securities.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source: Firm

Employing firm when activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

CROWN CAPITAL SECURITIES, L.P.

Allegations: The customer alleges breach of fiduciary duty, lack of suitability,

misrepresentations and failure to supervise in regards to investments made on

behalf of the customer.

Product Type: Other: NON-TRADED REIT & NON-TRADED BDC

Alleged Damages: \$99.000.00

Is this an oral complaint? No Is this a written complaint? Nο

Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation? Yes

Arbitration/Reparation forum or court name and location:

FINRA

Docket/Case #: 23-00624 Filing date of

arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation:

03/14/2023



Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 03/17/2023

Complaint Pending? Yes

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

Allegations:

Crown Capital Securities L.P

The customer alleges breach of fiduciary duty, lack of suitability,

misrepresentations and failure to supervise in regards to investments made on

behalf of the customer.

Product Type: Other: REIT BDC non traded

Alleged Damages: \$99,000.00

Is this an oral complaint? No

Is this a written complaint? No

Is this an arbitration/CFTC

reparation or civil litigation?

Arbitration/Reparation forum or court name and location:

FINRA

Yes

Docket/Case #:

23-00624

Filing date of

03/14/2023

arbitration/CFTC reparation

or civil litigation:

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 03/17/2023

Complaint Pending?

Yes

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:



Broker Statement

I deny and disagree with the allegations made by the client. I explained and provided all paperwork and disclosures in reference to the investments made. The client understood the risks and ultimately made the decision on which investments they felt met their objectives. All investment material and prospectuses were given to the client to review before deciding on which investment they wanted to go with. I will adamantly fight the allegations made by the client.

End of Report



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